

Town Board Meeting Minutes

7 PM March 8, 2023

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Joe Kuhn, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortlieb, Road Supervisor Mark Tasch, Chris Poppy, Ralph Schmid, Terri Venner, Dave Schneider and Dean Joas. * Indicates the person signed up for public comment.

Steve indicated the meeting has been properly posted.

Public comment: None.

Joe moved to approve the agenda. Mark 2nd and M/C.

Joe moved to approve the February 8, 2023 meeting minutes adding the following after the public remarks of Jim Fett, "(Despite the fact the town did not issue the permit board members stated.)", Mark E. 2nd and M/C.

Roads, Buildings and Equipment: Mark Tasch reported on the state of various equipment and the defects on the 2006 truck. Ken asked Mark T. to change the oils in the mowing tractor as a part of the preventative maintenance program. Mark T. said the backhoe needs new tires. Salt supply: Mark T. said next year's salt is about ½ used up from all the ice storms we had this winter and asked if he should order more ice or mix in more sand next year. The board told him to order more salt (150 ton) which would increase budget costs from about \$24,000 to \$38,000. Summer road projects are culverts on: Hill Road, 2 on Moore Road, 2 on south end of Lakeshore Dr. Ken asked Mark about efforts to receive county bridge aid and Mark T. said he is doing all he can. Another summer project will be to chip seal the north end of Long Road.

Sign on Shed: Mark did not reach Kloehn Sign but will try again.

Ditch on Hickory Hills Road: Joe shared Chad Gerhartz called about apparent problems with the ditch. After general discussion, no action was taken.

Kiel Sand and Gravel: All board members had no problem approving Ken to sign the creation of a credit account at this vendor to get sand. Local sand had too much clay in the sand and would not flow off the trucks.

Communications: Steve reported the town's accounting software was infected with a computer virus and the IT provider removed it with no apparent damage to the PC or software; an inquiry from Kathy Stadtmeuller, 1st Res. Capt. Seeking guidance as to whether to sign the new signature cards at the bank as requested by the bank staff with new account ownership and/or number(s)/ federal ID numbers arranged by Mike Funk and a letter from the Calumet County Sheriff's Department Deputy Leslie Lemieux providing information about the relationship between the department, humane societies and municipalities and the department's role in investigating complaints of animal abuse and/or neglect. Mark T. reported about an inquiry from Bug Tussel about permits. And, Ken reported all board members had a FAQ sheet about SPS 330 in their pack for review.

Treasurer's Report was presented. Joe moved to accept the report. Mark E. 2nd the motion. M/C.

Bills: The bills were presented and read aloud by Mark E. Mark E. moved and Joe K. 2nd the motion to pay all the bills presented to the board. M/C.

NO CSMs to review.

Joe Kuhn moved to adjourn. Mark E. 2nd the motion. M/C. Adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Clerk

